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Re: U.S. Non-Provisional Utility Patent Application  
Appl. No.: **10/642,885 / Filed: August 18, 2003**  
Title: **Method and Apparatus for Solving Constraints**  
Inventors: **Brian E. Lockyear et al.**  
Attorney Docket: 06816.0505

Sir or Madam:

The following is enclosed for appropriate action by the Office:

1. Request To Correct Inventorship And Consent of Assignee (1 pg);
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3. Statement By Inventor To Be Added (1 pg);
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Respectfully submitted,

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Application No. **10/642,885**

Examiner: **TBD**

Filed: **August 18, 2003**

For: **Method and Apparatus for  
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Attorney Docket: **06816.0505**

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Sir or Madam:

Please correct inventorship, of the above-referenced patent application, by adding Carl Preston Pixley as an inventor.

As a person authorized to act on behalf of the assignee, Synopsys, Inc., the assignee herein provides its written consent for the requested correction to inventorship.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sir or Madam:

Documentary evidence of Synopsys, Inc., Mountain View, CA, as assignee of the entire right and interest to the above-referenced patent application, is recorded in the assignment records of the Office at Reel/Frame: 014461/0006.

Attached is a copy of the Notice of Recordation of Assignment Document, sent to me by the Office on 03/31/04.

I am authorized to act on behalf of the assignee, Synopsys, Inc.

Respectfully submitted,



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